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Dear Parents and Carers

School Performance Tables 2017

I am writing to let you know that the Department for Education updated the website which enables you to compare schools this week. The results are currently provisional and do not take into account the grades which have gone up as a result of re-marks since August. These will be finalised next term.

For now, however, I am delighted to inform you that we are again ranked as the sixth best school in Doncaster local authority. This is our second year in this position, which I think demonstrates that we are continuing to raise standards throughout the academy rather than “gaming the system” – a phrase I do not like but which we often see in the press. You can see the results below:

School name	Type of school	Number of pupils at the end of key stage 4	Progress 8 score & description	Attainment 8 score	Grade 5 or above in English and maths GCSEs	Achieving EBacc at grade 5/C or above	Entering EBacc	Staying in education or entering employment (2015 leavers)
Rossington All Saints Academy (/school/136675)	Academy	99	Well above average 0.78	48.5	41%	23%	31%	93% (90 of 97 pupils)
Hungerhill School (/school/137899)	Academy	223	Above average 0.48	52.1	52%	12%	21%	93% (204 of 219 pupils)
Outwood Academy Danum (/school/143938)	Academy	225	Above average 0.38	44.8	47%	8%	13%	=
Hall Cross Academy (/school/137842)	Academy	287	Above average 0.16	46.9	38%	8%	12%	91% (278 of 304 pupils)
The Hayfield School (/school/136672)	Academy	180	Average 0.07	51.6	61%	42%	57%	98% (174 of 178 pupils)
De Warenne Academy (/school/135942)	Academy	107	Average -0.02	43.8	32%	16%	29%	92% (122 of 133 pupils)
Outwood Academy Adwick (/school/135963)	Academy	184	Average -0.07	43.8	43%	13%	19%	86% (166 of 194 pupils)
Don Valley Academy and Performing Arts College (/school/137472)	Academy	153	Average -0.09	43.8	33%	14%	20%	90% (188 of 208 pupils)
The McAuley Catholic High School (/school/140865)	Academy	269	Average -0.1	46	43%	34%	58%	95% (260 of 273 pupils)
Campsmount (A Co-Operative Academy) (/school/138116)	Academy	106	Average -0.16	41.6	28%	8%	13%	96% (127 of 132 pupils)
Armthorpe Academy (/school/138314)	Academy	113	Average -0.19	43.6	27%	2%	8%	88% (96 of 109 pupils)
Ridgewood School (/school/137603)	Academy	233	Below average -0.28	47	48%	13%	20%	97% (238 of 246 pupils)

More Good News

Last week we hosted a visit from Lord Mawson, Executive Chair of Well North, a social entrepreneur who is striving to regenerate communities across the north of England. In the summer he invited 24 of our students to take part in a fully funded science residential summer school, led by Professor Brian Cox, followed by a visit to the Olympic Village and a ride on the world's fastest and longest slide.

Lord Mawson came back to meet up with our Year 10 scientists again and find out what they enjoyed about the visit. They had such a good discussion he pledged a similar number of places for pupils to attend next year's event and also invited two of our students to return as guest speakers!

Student Leaders

I was delighted that we recently appointed two sixth form student leaders, Katie Harris and Courtney Beech. They and the rest of the sixth formers organised two superb coffee mornings on Monday to raise money for Macmillan. The first was attended by Year 7 students and parents and the second was for the sixth form and their families. They raised over £300, so many thanks to all who offered their support.

We have also recently appointed Year 11 House Captains: Jamie McSeveney (Oak), Nicholas Nicola (Willow), Kenzie Randerson (Beech) and Lucy Johnson (Holly). We are currently recruiting form representatives now and then our Academy council will be complete. This is a new structure designed to give students more of a voice in academy life. Their first activity will be planning Christmas fundraising and rewards activities.

Performing Arts

Following a truly fantastic performance of "School of Rock" last summer, our drama club are busy preparing for their Christmas production "A Night at the Musicals" which will take place on 19 December at 7.00pm. You can buy tickets at www.dewarenne.org.uk or via reception at a cost of £2.00 per ticket.

Twitter

Finally, please follow us on Twitter. It is lovely when we showcase students who are doing well in the academy and you "like" their photos. It helps promote a culture of achievement where those who try their best are recognised in a positive manner.

I think we are all caught up for now. Thank you for your support so far this term.

Kind regards



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